

Regular Meeting for the Lanesboro City Council
Monday, August 2, 2010
Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

City Council Present: Rahn, O'Connor, Jeannette, Allen, and Dybing

City Council Absent:

Visitors: Jade Wangen, Vern Riddle, Dave Hennessey, Scott Dixon and Lisa Brainard

Regular Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rahn.

Dybing made a motion to approve the agenda, O'Connor second, motion carried.

The meeting minutes for the June 21st joint meeting were approved by O'Connor, second by Allen, motion carried.

Persons with Business before the Council & Utilities Commission:

- A. Library Hiring Committee: Vickerman spoke on behalf of the hiring committee to request that the Council make a formal job offer to Tara Johnson at a starting salary of \$32,000 with an increase to \$33,000 after a satisfactory performance evaluation after the first year. Allen made a motion to approve the request, second Dybing motion carried.
- B. Vern Riddle – Ambulance Director: Riddle asked the council to add Hyatt King to the ambulance roster. Riddle noted that King is not in the City for the winter months, but could provide needed service the other six months. He noted that he could take the national testing to continue licensure, once he is trained. Riddle asked the council to approve training for King in September. O'Connor made a motion to approve payment for EMT training for Hyatt King and asked the ambulance to discuss the by-laws, second Allen, motion carried.
- C. Andy Drake - Street Supervisor: Drake noted that the seal coating company needed a place to store the chips for the sealing project. He asked if he could have permission to store them at the Bass Pond Parking lot. He also asked to have some ditch work done up at the Egge property. Rahn made a motion to approve both of Drake's requests, second Jeannette, motion carried.
- D. Scott Dixon – Sidewalks: Dixon was inquiring as to when the sidewalk replacements were going to be occurring. He said he is in favor of the sidewalks being replaced, but was concerned about a tree that may be affecting his sidewalk. Vickerman noted that the sidewalks would not be replaced until after Buffalo Bill Days and that they could evaluate and remove the tree prior to replacing the sidewalks. Dixon noted that they would be paying for their sidewalks up front.

Committee Reports:

- A. EDA – July 12th: Did not meet due to lack of quorum
- B. Park – July 12th: Vickerman reported that the Park board discussed Buffalo Bill Days and changes in the rental contract.
- C. Library – July 12th: Allen reported that the Library was working with replacing the Library Director.
- D. PU – July 26th: Vickerman reported that the PU was working on the Dam/Hydro financing. Also noted that UMPA is working on some group ventures.
- E. HPC – July 27th: Vickerman reported that the group went through the prior files and discussed Gordon Tindall's illuminated sign request.
- F. P&Z – July 28th: Dybing reported that they discussed a kiosk for Mark Brewster, the AT&T tower request and the MN Basic Code

- G. Codification – Month of July: Allen noted that the group is regrouping with the 2010 version of the Basic Code.

At this point of the meeting, Dan Anderson arrived to speak about blacktopping up at Church Hill properties: Anderson noted that half of the parking area for Church Hill is owned by the City, he asked if the City would pay half for the blacktopping costs. He noted that they could wait until next year. O'Connor moved to have a memorandum of understanding wrote up for the Parking area by Vickerman and Manion and to put this area on the list for the blacktopping for 2011, second Rahn, motion carried.

Housekeeping:

- A. Paying of the Bills: Dybing made a motion to have the City Administrator pay all regular and ordinary bills, second Jeannette, motion carried.
- B. Sales Tax Question for General Ballot: Rahn made a motion to approve the enclosed resolution in regards to the Sales Tax Question, second Allen, motion carried.
- C. Addresses for Brett Stecher: Dybing made a motion for Manion and Vickerman to get proper addresses for the two businesses, second Allen, motion carried.
- D. Sidewalk Replacements: O'Connor made a motion to proceed with the sidewalk replacements as listed, second Jeannette, motion carried.
- E. Pay Equity Report: Vickerman reported that the City of Lanesboro has passed the pay equity requirements.
- F. SEMCAC Contract: Rahn made a motion to renew the SEMCAC contract, second Jeannette, motion carried.
- G. Buffalo Bill Days Motorized ATV/Golf Permits: Vickerman noted that there would be 3-4 motorized vehicles used by the BBD staff, they will have signs on them. She asked the Council to approve the permits for these units for the weekend. Dybing made a motion to permit, no more than 4 units, second Allen, motion carried.
- H. AT&T Tower Request: Vickerman explained that they would like to put a tower near the North water tower. Discussion occurred about the different types of poles, noting that the stealth pole was the most unnoticeable type. Rahn noted that he would like to get feedback from the residents in that area. Vickerman stated she would have information prior to the September meeting.
- I. Community Center Building Repairs: Vickerman noted that these are the preliminary drawings for the Community Center Repairs, and that the next step would be to advertise based on the final drawings prepared by Yaggy Colby. O'Connor made a motion to advertise for bids, second Dybing, motion carried.
- J. Election Judges: Vickerman asked for the approval of the following election judges: Harriet Lawstuen, Bobbie Vickerman, Rita Peterson, Teri Benson, Ron Flaa, Dale Forrester, Eliza Mitchell and Frank Wright. Rahn made a motion to approve the election judges, second Allen, motion carried.
- K. Conditional Use Hearing for Gordon Tindall Sign: Vickerman noted that Tindall is requesting an illuminated sign and that based on the ordinance it requires a conditional use permit hearing. Vickerman asked to have the Council approve that hearing for the 7th of September at 5:30pm. Rahn made a motion to have the public hearing as requested, second O'Connor, motion carried.
- L. Proposed Joint Meeting for August 23, 2010: Vickerman noted that the refinancing for the electric bonds made sense and there was a need for a special joint meeting, she suggested Monday, August 23rd at 5:30pm. Allen made a motion to call a special joint meeting for that day and time, second O'Connor, motion carried.

- M. Thank you letter from Jason Harvey for allowing him to attend a fire meeting was enclosed. The Council members were appreciative of his letter.
- N. Citizen's Comments: Drake mentioned that the fire department received a \$2,700 grant for training this year and he also asked that the City Council consider seeking an area for an ambulance shed, noting that the Street Shop was temporary housing for the unit. Steve Rahn offered to be a part of a committee to seek a location. Vickerman will speak with Ridde, the Ambulance Director to find other members.

Adjourn:

O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36pm, second Jeannette, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbie Vickerman
City Administrator/Clerk